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## **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art discloses a stator for an electrical induction machine having an even number of stator sections at different axial positions and each section having a plurality of circumferentially separated teeth having winding. However, the prior art fails to disclose, in combination with the invention and in light of the specifications that the stator sections are physically shifted relative to one another in a circumferential direction by 360 degrees/n plus/minus an angle related to skew and wherein the power supplied for the teeth of a first set of n/2 of the stator sections is shifted 180 degrees electrical relative to power supplied for the teeth of a second set of n/2 of the stator sections

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Julio C. Gonzalez whose telephone number is (703) 305-1563, which will be in effect until 02/02/04. The new phone number that will be in effect AFTER 02/02/04 will be (571) 272-2024. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8AM-5PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nestor Ramirez can be reached on (703) 308-1371. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0956.

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